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U.S. Utility Patent Application

Appl. No.09/720,086; 102(e): July 23, 2001

For: De Novo DNA Cytosine Methyltransferase Genes, Polypeptides and Uses Thereof

Inventors:

Li et al.

Our Ref:

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- 1. Request for Corrected Official Filing Receipt;
- 2. Copy of the Official Filing Receipt with changes noted in red ink;
- 3. Copy of the postcard stamped with the correct filing date under 35 U.S.C. 371;
- 4. Copy of the Notice of Acceptance of Application Under 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 C.F.R. 1.494 or 1.495; and
- 5. One return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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Original Declaration, executed by inventors En Li and Masaki Okano; 6.

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